DESCRIPTION: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Afghanistan Engineer District-North (AED-N) intends to issue Request for Proposal (RFP) W5J9JE-11-R-0122 for the design and construction of the Afghanistan national Security Force (ANSF) construction projects, Region I. This region includes the Afghanistan provinces of Kabul, Badakhshan, Bamyan, Parwan, Panjshayr, Kapisa, Nuristan, Laghman, Kunar, and Nangarhar.

PURPOSE: This RFP will be for a Firm-Fixed-Price (FFP) Indefinite Delivery/Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ), Multiple Award Task Order Contract (MATOC) for a base and one (1) option period. The purpose of this IDIQ MATOC is to provide new construction, real property repair and maintenance work to support the ANSF. The Government intends to award up to ten (10) contracts against this IDIQ MATOC solicitation. The NAICS Code for this effort is 236220.

SECTION 886 LIMITED COMPETITION: The Government intends to solicit using the provisions of Section 886 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008 (Pub. L. 110-181) to promote use of Afghanistan sources, where applicable, for construction services for the direct support of the ANSF. Under this authority AED-N may limit competition among Afghan sources determined to have the requisite technical, financial, managerial and other capacity, and performance qualifications, to undertake the work under certain categories of qualifying projects.

SELECTION PROCESS: A best value trade-off selection process will be conducted in accordance with FAR Part 15. This best value approach will use factors such as experience, key personnel, past performance, and price. It is anticipated the aforementioned factors will be listed in descending order of importance and that all non-price related factors, when combined, will be significantly more important than cost/price.

DISCUSSIONS: The Government intends to award without discussions, but reserves the right to conduct discussions should it be deemed in the Government's best interest.

ANTICIPATED SOLICITATION RELEASE DATE AND AWARD DATE: The Government anticipates releasing the solicitation in September 2011 and awarding the contracts in late December, early January. Actual dates and times will be identified in the solicitation. Responses to this synopsis are not required. Additional details can be found in the solicitation when it is posted.

SOLICITATION WEBSITE: The official solicitation, when posted, will be available free of charge by electronic posting only and may be found at the USACE-AED-N website, http://www.aed.usace.army.mil/contracting-sol_date2010.asp. Paper copies of the solicitation will not be issued. Amendments, if/when issued, will be posted to the above referenced website for electronic downloading. This will be the only method of distributing amendments prior to closing; therefore, it is the Offerors' responsibility to check the website periodically for any amendments to the solicitation.

REGISTRATIONS: Offerors must have and/or maintain an active registration with the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) website to be eligible for a Government contract award. In order to receive any contract award, a vendor must be registered in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR), in the Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA), and must have a Domestic Investment License (D) issued by the Afghanistan Investment Support Agency (AISA). To register a firm in the CCR system, visit http://www.ccr.gov. To obtain an AISA-D license, visit http://www.aisa.org.af/english/appliations.html.

POINT-OF-CONTACT: The point-of-contact for this procurement is Contract Specialist Denise Blocker at Denise.Blocker@usace.army.mil. Offerors are advised that questions will only be accepted in writing. Telephone calls will not be accepted.